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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, APRIL 27, 1998

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At the relation of the

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

CASE NO. PUE960296

Ex Parte: Investigation of Electric
Industry Restructuring - Virginia
Electric and Power Company

ORDER ON MOTION FOR LEAVE TO DELAY

On Friday, April 24, 1998, Virginia Electric and Power Company ("Virginia Power" or "Company") filed a motion, supported by the Office of the Attorney General ("Attorney General") and the Commission Staff ("Staff"), requesting leave to delay filing rebuttal and surrebuttal testimony by two weeks each. The Company, the Attorney General and the Staff represent that they have been engaged in discussions designed to narrow the issues required to be considered at the hearing herein and assert that the requested delay will facilitate further discussions.

The Commission, having considered the pleading, is of the opinion that a short extension of the two filing dates is in order for the purpose of permitting the other parties a chance to respond to the motion. We will grant the motion in part, at this time, and delay the filing of rebuttal testimony from Monday, April 27 to Friday, May 1, and delay the filing of the

surrebuttal testimony from Monday, May 11 to Friday, May 15. The Commission is cognizant that some adjustment of the hearing dates may be required and, indeed, the moving parties acknowledge as much. However, there are numerous parties in this matter who may have objections or additional requests with regard to adjustment of the present procedural schedule and the Commission wishes to hear each before issuing a final ruling on this matter.

Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) The motion is granted in part, and the filing dates are extended as set out above;

(2) On or before noon, Wednesday, April 29, any party that has any objection to the extensions proposed in the motion for leave to delay filing dates or any additional request with regard to adjustment of the present procedural schedule shall file said objection or request and serve a copy by telefax or delivery to all other parties; and

(3) The matter is continued for further orders of the Commission.